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SUBJECT: VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

SUMMARY. ICFTU AND IRO-FIET DELEGATIONS MET WITH MINLABOR LIENDO MAY 18 AND WERE ABLE TO ARRANGE VISITS WITH DETAINED TRADE UNIONISTS. TALKS WERE CLASSIFIED AS "POSITIVE". PRESENCE OF CASILDO HERRERAS AT ILO CONFERENCE IS IN DOUBT. END SUMMARY.

1. ICFTU DELEGATION COMPRISED OF MALAVE, GALEANO AND REBHAN (8IMF) ARRIVED MAY 17 AND HELD DISCUSSIONS WITH MINLABOR LIENDO AND CGT INTERVENTOR PITA. REBHAN ALSO VISITED IMPRISONED METAL WORKERS OFFICIAL. IRO-FIET DELEGATION CONSISTING PRESIDENT GONZALEZ AND SECGEN FOSTER ARRIVED MAY 16 AND MET INDEPENDENTLY OF ICFTU WITH MINLABOR. IRO-FIET DELEGATION HAS PROGRAMMED MEETING AFTERNOON MAY 19 WITH IMPRISONED BANK WORKERS ASSOCIATION SECGEN ESQUERRA.

2. IRO-FIET DELEGATES TOLD LABATT THAT BOTH THEY AND ICFTU DELEGATION WERE WELL RECEIVED AND HELD FRANK DISCUSSIONS WITH MINLABOR. LIENDO GAVE THEM ASSURANCES THAT GOA WOULD PERMIT ARGENTINE LABOR TO FULFILL ITS OBLIGATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATIONS. HE ALSO STATED THAT GOA HOPED RELEASE

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LIST OF IMPRISONED LABOR LEADERS AND BEGIN JUDICIAL PROCESSES

BY END OF MONTH. DELEGATES SAID THAT THEY CONSIDERED THEIR VISIT TO BE POSITIVE AND HELPFUL TO DEVELOPING ARGENTINE LABOR POLICY.

3. ON QUESTION OF ILO, DELEGATES STATED GOA WAS VERY CONCERNED OF IMPACT EXILED CGT SEC GEN CASILDO HERRERAS WOULD HAVE DURING JUNE CONGRESS. ALTHOUGH GOA HAS STATED - AND SEVERAL OTHER LABOR CONTACTS HAVE TOLD LABATT - THAT HERRERAS WOULD NOT ATTEND ILO CONFERENCE, GALEANO ADVISED IRO-FIET DELEGATION THAT HERRERAS WOULD DEFINITELY ATTEND. AN ARGENTINE LABOR SOURCE WHO HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH ORIT SEC GEN WAS ADVISED THAT HERRERAS WOULD BE DEPARTING MEXICO FOR GENEVA MAY 19.

4. GOA HAS NOT YET APPROVED OR NAMED ANY TRADE UNION DELEGATION TO ILO CONGRESS. WE UNDERSTAND THAT GOA IS ATTEMPTING ARRANGE DEAL WHEREBY HERRERAS WILL NOT ATTEND CONFERENCE. SUCCESS OF THOSE NEGOTIATIONS STILL IN DOUBT.  
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